

# TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

## PRELIMINARY HOLIDAY REPORT

May 29, 2007

### 2007 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY 6 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 25 – 11:59 PM, MONDAY, MAY 28 78-HOUR HOLIDAY PERIOD

- FATAL CRASHES: 19**

10 crashes were single vehicle crashes; 9 were multiple vehicle crashes.

- FATALITIES: 21**

Four (21%) of the fatalities occurred in alcohol-related crashes.

Twelve of the people killed were vehicle occupants.

Eight of the twelve (67%) were not wearing safety restraints.

No child passengers requiring child restraint devices were killed.

Seven motorcyclists were killed; five were wearing helmets and two were not wearing a helmet.

One ATV driver (no helmet) was killed.

One pedestrian was killed.

#### FATALITY LOG

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Highway</u>	<u>Number Killed</u>	<u>Alcohol Related</u>
1.	Friday	10:45 PM	SHELBY	I-240	1	N
2.	Saturday	10:44 AM	HAMILTON	5514 BRAINARD RD	1	N
3.	Saturday	1:22 PM	CARTER	HWY 91	1	N
4.	Saturday	1:58 PM	WASHINGTON	SR 091 W MAIN ST	1	N
5.	Saturday	4:20 PM	HAYWOOD	N/A	1	N
6.	Saturday	7:15 PM	HENDERSON	INTERSTATE 40	1	N
7.	Saturday	9:05 PM	HARDEMAN	S.R. 18	1	Y
8.	Saturday	11:45 PM	HENRY	U.S. 79/S.R. 76	2	N
9.	Sunday	1:47 AM	FRANKLIN	N/A	1	Y
10.	Sunday	11:41 AM	SULLIVAN	SRT 36/FT HENRY DR	1	N
11.	Sunday	3:00 PM	CAMPBELL	SR 297, NEWCOMB STRAIGHT	1	N
12.	Sunday	6:40 PM	SHELBY	AIRWAYS BLVD	1	N
13.	Monday	1:15 AM	DAVIDSON	I 24	1	N
14.	Monday	3:05 AM	DAVIDSON	705 GREYMONT DR	1	N
15.	Monday	6:19 AM	HAMILTON	5500 OLD HIXSON PIKE	1	Y
16.	Monday	7:10 PM	MONTGOMERY	N/A	1	Y
17.	Monday	8:05 PM	SULLIVAN	US421	1	N
18.	Monday	9:15 PM	ROBERTSON	KINNEY'S SCHOOL ROAD	2	N
19.	Monday	11:17 PM	BLOUNT	BURNETT STATION ROAD	1	N

- The number of fatalities for last year's 78-hour holiday period was 16.**

#### HIGHEST DEATHS

In 1973, 26 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee during a 78-hour Memorial Day holiday period, yielding a fatality rate of one death per 3.0 hours.

#### LOWEST DEATHS

In 2002, 5 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee during a 78-hour Memorial Day holiday period, yielding a fatality rate of one death per 15.0 hours and 36 minutes.